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last Furrow
is turned..*

AND A WORLD
AT PEACE
IS WON"



"UNTIL the last furrow is turned and a world at Peace is won."—That is the spirit in which the western farmer is living and working these days, to produce the food production quotas asked for by the United Nations, to meet the needs of the armed forces and civilian populations. . . . His is no light task, but it is being carried on despite all handicaps—and they are many and serious.

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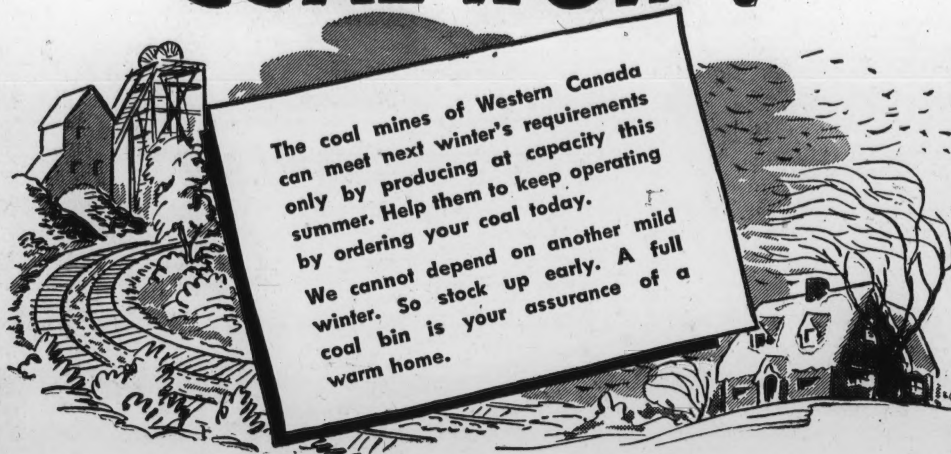
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Movement Organized to Oppose Co-ops

The "League for the Protection of Private Enterprise" formed recently by retailers of the Central and Northern states in Chicago, is now known to

have opposition to co-operatives as its chief purpose. The basis for the steps taken to foster the movement, says the *Chicago Journal of Commerce*, "is the ability of co-operative organizations to sell goods in some instances as much as 30 per cent below individual retail levels."

Canadian war production in the fiscal year 1943-44 totalled \$3,435,000,000.

The Netherlands Navy has still more than sixty warships, with crews numbering about 7,000 men, in active operation on the seas of the world.

Urge Establishment Veterinary College at Western 'Varsity

Warranted by Expansion of Live-stock Production, Important Calgary Conference Decides

Establishment of a veterinary college at one of the Western universities was recommended by an important conference of agriculturists and educationists held in Calgary on April 22nd. Such action is warranted, in the opinion of those who attended the conference, by the great expansion in livestock production in the Prairie Provinces. Hon. D. B. MacMillan, Minister of Agriculture for Alberta, presided.

It was pointed out that a veterinary college, if established, would enable students of veterinary science to be closely associated with the faculties of medicine and agriculture. It was recommended that research facilities should also be established in association with the proposed college, the need for research in the veterinary field being today a pressing one.

Result of Depression

The meeting was agreed that as a result of conditions which arose during the years of depression in the farming industry, there are today far too few trained veterinarians in Western Canada. It was also agreed that an increased supply of trained men for government veterinary work is needed, and also that there will be a place for highly trained veterinary scientists in the public health services of the future. That highly qualified men should be more highly remunerated than they are today was also the unanimous opinion of those who attended the conference.

Production of vaccines and sera at the pathological laboratory of the University of Saskatchewan for the protection and treatment of farm animals was one of the matters dealt with.

Provinces' Representatives

Dr. Robert Newton, President of the University of Alberta, Dr. R. D. Sinclair, Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, Dr. Percy Talbot, Provincial Veterinarian, Dr. Ross Walton, O. S. Longman, Deputy Minister of Agriculture and A. A. Campbell attended, with the Minister, as Alberta's representatives. Dr. James S. Thomson, President of the University of Saskatchewan, Dr. L. E. Kirk, Dr. J. S. Fulton, Dr. F. H. Auld, and Dr. S. N. Wood were Saskatchewan's representatives; and Manitoba was represented by the President of the University, Dr. Sydney Smith and by J. H. Evans, Dr. Alfred Savage and J. R. Bell. British Columbia delegates were Hon. K. C. MacDonald, J. B. Munro, Dr. W. R. Gunn, and Dr. S. N. Wood.

Co-op Life Insurance Shows Great Expansion

(Co-op. League News Service)
MINNEAPOLIS.—The Co-operative Life Association passed the five million mark for insurance in force during the past year, it was reported to the annual meeting held here recently. Net expense cost dropped from \$5.25 per thousand of insurance in force in 1942 to \$3.82 per thousand in 1943.

Formation of an international farm organization was advocated at a meeting, in Chicago recently, of a committee of the American Country Life Conference.

Charges that surplus government war supplies in the U.S. were being sold at ridiculously low prices to civilians, already gathering in Washington "like harpies" were aired in Congress recently; the urgent need for action to protect Uncle Sam's interest in disposing of surplus war materials was stressed by several Congressmen.

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BANK ACT AMENDMENTS WILL AID FARM CREDITS

Co-ops. Sell \$3 Billions of U.S. Farm Products

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Classes of Security on Which Loans
May Be Made Much
Extended

WHEAT SITUATION

Transportation, Not Demand, Is
Now Problem—Surplus
Rapidly Falling

By M. McDougall
(Special to *The Western Farm Leader*)
OTTAWA, May 3.—Canadian chartered banks' powers are being extended to aid agricultural credit. Under the amended Bank Act now before the House, the chartered banks are enabled to meet intermediate and certain short term credit needs of agriculture.

Lending Powers

They may hereafter lend money to farmers—

- (1) On the security of threshed grain grown on the farm;
- (2) For the purchase of seed grain on the security of seed grain and the crop to be grown therefrom;
- (3) For the purchase of fertilizer on the security of the fertilizer and the crop grown therefrom;
- (4) For the purchase of binder twine on the corresponding security;
- (5) On livestock on the security of the livestock;
- (6) For the purchase of agricultural implements on the security of the agricultural implements;
- (7) For the purchase or installation of agricultural equipment or an electric system on the security of such equipment or farm electric system;
- (8) For improvements of buildings, fencing, drainage or other development or improvement on the security of the improvements.

Farm Improvements Loan Act will be introduced to guarantee the banks against losses up to ten per cent of the aggregate loans made by the banks for these purposes. The maximum interest rate to be charged by the banks is six per cent, except in the case of small loans paid in instalments.

In his general review of the manpower situation in Canada, the Minister of Labor Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, said in the House of Commons (in relation to farm labor policy): "We feel that the successful experience of 1943, which was really our pioneer year in an all-Canada program to meet the farm labor problem, will enable us to do a better job in 1944."

Greater Output With Less Manpower

The Minister gave the following salient information in relation to farming in Canada: (1) In the last four years this country has increased its agricultural production by 50 per cent in spite of a reduction of 23 per cent in manpower;

(2) It was a source of satisfaction that plans put into effect in 1943 provided additional help to the farmers;

Commands Allied Naval Invasion Forces



When the impatient Allied forces now straining at the leash are released on "D Day" for the amphibious attack on Fortress Europe, the greatest naval operations in all history will be directed by Admiral Sir Bertram Ramsay (whose promotion from the rank of Vice-Admiral has recently been announced). He is commander-in-chief of the United Nations navies based on Britain. Admiral Ramsay organized the Dunkirk evacuation, planned the naval phase of the invasion of North Africa, and was Allied commander at the landing in Sicily.

(3) All Provincial Governments co-operated with the Department of Labor through the Dominion-Provincial farm labor agreement;

(4) Under the agreements the Dominion-Provincial farm labor agreement;

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Explore for Petroleum

NORTH KANSAS CITY.—A geological and exploration division has been set up by the Co-operative Refinery Association here. In addition to its 285 producing oil wells, C.R.A. is drilling five new wells in Kansas and one in Texas; it has also potential oil producing properties in New Mexico, Oklahoma and Illinois.

DRIVE LIVESTOCK FROM FARMS

Preparatory to flooding parts of Holland, the Nazis removed from their homes some 280,000 persons, including many farmers. Promising to replace them when the farmers returned to their land, the Germans drove off the livestock from these farms for "housing" in sections of the country close to the German border, states the Netherlands Government information bureau, Montreal.

Need Non-Farm Help

"The packing house labor situation will not be satisfactorily met until sufficient non-agricultural men are moved into the abattoirs on a permanent basis," declared the executive of the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, meeting in Calgary this week. Primary responsibility for the adequate staffing of the packing plants in the Province lies with National Selective Service, in the opinion of the executive, and they expressed regret that "the only plan advanced" so far in official quarters was to secure certain classes of farmers for packing house work. While farm organizations were willing to co-operate in every way possible, executive members pointed out that Alberta's farm labor supply is already much depleted, and no large labor force could be obtained from that source for other industries.

FIGURES REVEAL VAST VOLUME OF CO-OP. BUSINESS

Dairy Co-operatives Lead in Membership and in Volume of Business

U.S. PROGRESS

Farm Supplies Bought Co-operatively Reach Grand Total of \$750,000,000

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 3rd.—A grand total of \$3,180,000,000 worth of farm products was marketed through co-operatives in the U.S. in the 1942-43 marketing season, it is estimated by Grace Wanstall and R. H. Ellsworth, authors of "Statistics of Farmers' Marketing and Purchasing Co-operatives, 1942-43 Marketing Season," recently published here, under the auspices of the Farm Credit Administration.

Dairy Products Lead

Leading in numbers of associations and in membership as well as in volume of business, are dairy products, with \$950,000,000; grain, rice and dry beans are in second place with \$700,000,000; livestock next with \$595,000,000 and fruits, vegetables and nuts close behind with \$525,000,000. Cotton and cotton products were marketed co-operatively to the value of \$167,000,000 and poultry and eggs to the value of \$145,000,000; wool and mohair products accounted for \$34,000,000 and miscellaneous products to \$64,000,000.

Farmers' purchasing associations
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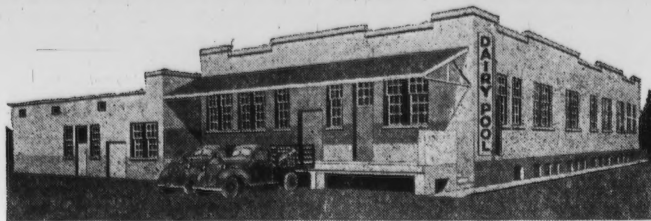
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 Parity prices to the farmer . . . Fair wages to labour.
 —Parity prices for the farmer means jobs for the workers:
 —Good wages for labour means better farm prices.

The C C F is YOUR movement. It does not get and DOES NOT WANT the support of the big corporations. It needs YOUR support NOW. Write and send your contribution to your C C F National Headquarters, 56 Sparks Street, Ottawa.

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SOUTHERN ALBERTA DAIRY POOL SECTION



Contingency Reserves for Co-operatives

By E. A. STOKDYK

Agricultural enterprises are subject to many and varied hazards. Wind, hail, frost, flood, drought, and pest damage are familiar terms to farmers and to those who handle farm products or farm supplies.

Importance to Co-operatives

To the marketing co-operative these hazards are important because their absence or presence affects the volume handled, which in turn affects the unit costs of operation. To the purchasing co-operative they are also important, because they affect the volume of products purchased by members and, if credit is extended, the collectibility of accounts.

Unfortunately, many of the expenses of a co-operative—such as insurance, taxes, depreciation, and a certain amount of overhead—go on just the same, whether the crop is a failure or a bumper one. Herein is the first reason that the co-operatives establish reserves, that is, reserves for contingencies—to pay the necessary expenses even though the plant does not turn a wheel in a season of crop failure, or to pay some of the expenses in a year of partial failure.

Storage Involves Price Risk

In addition, agricultural production, including livestock, is highly seasonal, whereas the consumption of agricultural products is fairly constant throughout the year. As a consequence, many products must be stored from the short period of production for the long period of consumption. This involves a price risk and the co-operative which undertakes the economic function of storage assumes the risk.

The co-operative attempts to minimize the price risk by making conservative advances to patrons when they deliver their products. However, prices for agricultural products fluctuate widely; hence, what may appear to be a conservative advance at delivery time may turn out to be an "overadvance" before the products are sold.

Furthermore, some products require extensive processing, as do olives, or long aging, as does wine, before they are ready for consumption. Farmers usually need funds before these processes are completed to finance the next season's production. To meet this situation co-operatives have at-

NOTE TO MEMBERS

Providing a close range view of some of the fundamentals of successful co-operative business practice, the article on this page by Mr. Stokdyk will be found of unusual interest and value by our members. The author is President of the Berkeley Bank for Co-operatives, and it was first printed in News for Farmer Co-operatives, published at Kansas City, Mo., by the U.S. Farm Credit Administration. Owing to the importance of the subject dealt with, and in order to avoid the need for condensation, the article, being somewhat lengthy, has been divided into two sections, the second of which will appear in the next issue of The Western Farm Leader.

CHRIS TOPPENBERG,
Manager.

tempted to estimate the ultimate returns from the sale of patrons' products as soon as practicable and make settlement with producers before all of a given season's production is sold. This also involves a price risk and at times results in "overadvances." Legally the member is indebted to his association for such "overadvances," but the expense of collection frequently renders such a course impracticable.

Ordinary Business Hazards

The co-operative is also subject to the ordinary business hazards which confront all enterprises, such as credit losses, contingencies not fully covered by insurance, and errors in judgment or in the technique of operations.

If losses are incurred as a result of any of the foregoing or other hazards, co-operatives generally handle them in one of three ways. The first is to charge them to the reserve for contingencies if such has been established and is adequate. The second way is to charge them against members' capital equities if there is no such reserve. A third way is to let the deficit stand on the books until eliminated by future earnings.

A number of local co-operative associations provide in their articles and bylaws that losses may be charged against members' capital equities. This means that if and when the capital equities revolve, the payment for the equities is made at some figure below par if losses have been charged against them. This method appears equitable and satisfactory when the number of members is small, reside in a limited area, and the procedure is clearly understood.

Where the membership is large and widely scattered, most co-operatives consider it a sounder procedure to establish reserves for contingencies to absorb unusual or unpredictable losses to the end that when members' capital equities revolve it will be reasonably certain that they will revolve at par. These same equities are frequently pledged or assigned by mem-

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SOUTHERN ALBERTA DAIRY POOL SECTION

Appreciates Articles in This Section

"I have met and talked to quite a number of people this spring at auction sales in this part of the Province," writes D. Warwick of Oyen, "as a delegate to the Dairy Pool for the past few years, have talked over Dairy Pool matters with the others. They all agree that we are getting on well in the Dairy Pool. They speak well of the articles written in the Dairy Pool section by our guest contributors. The articles of our manager, Mr. Toppenberg, on the Care of Cream was timely, and there was a lot of favourable comment on it. It answers a lot of questions that I have been asked at different times, and I hope to hear from him again, and also our worthy President, Mr. Wm. Burns."

bers as security for loans; hence, it is advantageous to hold them at par. With a local association this feature is also important, but not so important as in an association that operates over a wide territory. The affairs and standing of the local association are fairly well known in the community,

so that loans against capital equities can be made according to their going value. But the association with headquarters at some distance has the difficulty of explaining its capital position to numerous creditors if its capital equities are not worth par.

A few associations have established two capital funds namely, A and B. If losses are incurred they are first charged to the B fund. This is done to protect the equities in the A fund so that they are likely to be at par at all times.

The establishment of reserves presents, however, some interesting and complex problems. The first question that arises is: How shall they be established? By a definite deduction from the proceeds of sale? From overages above costs of operation? Or from unexpected gains, such as gains from the sale of products after pools have been closed or after final settlement has been made prior to the liquidation of an entire season's inventory?

Some associations follow a policy of making a specific deduction from the proceeds of sale each season. Others aim to build up reserves from unexpected income such as described above.

Whatever the source, a new set of problems arises if and when losses are charged against reserves. Shall losses be charged pro rata against all reserves, or shall losses be charged against each member's equity in the reserve fund and an account receivable set up against the member who has no equity in the reserve fund? Strictly speaking, the reserve fund is not truly a reserve if it is held that because equities in it are allocated to members, losses cannot be charged against the fund as a whole. It is then in reality a capital fund. Nevertheless, some associations, usually local associations, prefer to allocate to members their equity in the "reserve".

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Holstein Sets New World Production Record

A new world record, over all breeds, for yearly production of butterfat, in the three-times-a-day milking section of the four-year-old class, has recently been made by a Holstein cow owned by J. J. E. McCague, Alliston, Ontario. She produced 24,466 pounds of milk containing 1,163 pounds of butterfat, the average test being 4.75 per cent.

Plow Back Earnings

SUPERIOR, Wis.—By a very large majority, delegates to the recent annual meeting of the Central Co-operative Wholesale voted to plow back into the organization the 1943 earnings.

Correspondence

STEPS IN CO-OPERATIVE LADDER

Toronto, Ont.

Editor, *The Western Farm Leader*.
Dear Sir:

This reader was much impressed with your recent editorial on a "Web of Co-operative Activities", and concurs in the view that "Perhaps our best hope of realizing post-war aims worthy of the sacrifices of the free peoples, lies at the moment less in diplomatic and political arrangements, than in the creation of a pattern of co-operation for economic ends." (*The Western Farm Leader*, March 17.)

In my judgment the International Food Conference (Hot Springs, Va.), and the giant U.N.R.R.A. humanitarian effort of the United Nations are vital steps in this co-operative ladder emerging from today's tragedy.

As I write, the following forthright statement appears in my morning newspaper and will deliver its own message: "Montreal, April 12—(CP)—Co-operation rather than competition must govern the relationships

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milk from each quarter into strip cup. Inspect for abnormal milk; if present, milk cow last. (Steps 3 and 4 induce rapid let-down of the milk.)

5. *Apply test-cups immediately after using Strip Cup*. Hold and apply test-cups properly so that no vacuum is lost and least amount of air is admitted.

6. *Test-cups should be removed from cow at end of 3 to 4 minutes*. Hand stripping should be employed chiefly for purposes of inspection, and should consist of only a few full hand squeezes from each quarter. Do not prolong hand stripping. Machine stripping can be done just before removing test-cups by massaging each quarter briefly.

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World Sugar Shortage

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between the major nations of the world, if international affairs are to improve after the war, Rt. Hon. Malcolm MacDonald, United Kingdom high commissioner for Canada, said here last night.

As Marcus Aurelius put it, two thousand years ago—"We were made for co-operation."

WALTER P. DAVISSON.

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THE FINAL STRETCH

When this issue comes into the hands of our readers, the Victory Loan campaign will be nearing its final week. It should be a week of special effort; for if ever there was a time when Canadians should exert themselves to the utmost to demonstrate their will to Victory, it is now.

It is ironical that the best service to the cause of Victory that Canadians at home can give during this particular week—apart from the continuing service of production—is one that involves no sort of sacrifice. It is incongruous, but it is true.

In subscribing to the Loan, the citizen will be making an important contribution to the strengthening of the home front, and so increasing the industrial power serving our men in the field. At the same time, he will be building up personal reserves that will prove of great value in the post-war years.

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GAPS MUST BE FILLED

Since the war began we have maintained that men called up for the army because they are more urgently needed there than in any other field of action, should be liable for service anywhere in the world. The best battlefield on which to defend Canada—to fight to keep her shores inviolate—is the battlefield that is farthest away.

That a compulsory method of building up our overseas army has not been resorted to is due to well-known factors in the political life of Canada. In all fairness the blame—if blame it be—must be divided. We have never had any inclination to become apologists for the Government's recruiting policy, but we cannot forget that the Hon. W. D. Herridge, who went down to defeat on the issue in 1940, was the only well-known public man who during the election of that year came out boldly for all-round conscription for service overseas.

Opponents of the Government who at this time condemn its manpower policy should frankly declare their own—and they should remember what their own record has been. It is "good politics", perhaps, in view of the situation in Quebec, to avoid a declaration. But if they cannot or will not make one, they should at least not do anything that might tend to retard recruiting.

Under the circumstances of the moment, we think it altogether desirable that influence should be brought to bear, through the army itself, upon physically fit men now in the "home service" army, to induce them to volunteer for general service. We don't like this way of doing things, but the men have got to be found. Major-General G. R. Pearkes, V.C., who has recently made more than one appeal to the men under his command, is in our judgment doing exactly the right thing.

For all we know to the contrary, General Pearkes himself may believe in compulsory general service; but in any case he is loyally making the most of the existing system, and so should all the rest of us until we can get a better one.

Public men may legitimately press the Government to end the voluntary system by passing an order-in-council, but no-one, whatever his party, who places the immediate needs of the army before any considerations of party politics, will do anything that might reduce the effectiveness of the present recruiting drive for overseas service.

We don't think the feelings of Canadians now in the fighting line, and those who will shortly be sharing in the perils of the general assault upon the

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

*When shall the tide of blood and sweat and tears
Engulf the springs of selfishness and greed,
That we may learn true values from these years,
And know as riches plenty for plain need?
How blindly on old pathways do we fare,
Absorbed in petty struggles—petty gains!—
Content to think the load we help to bear
Through small restraints and eloquent campaigns.*

*We give a margin of our daily wage—
We lend still more and lending earn a fee.
While day by day we cheerfully engage
In prophecy of some brave world to be,
Counting how cheaply we its price may pay
While youth with life itself prepares the way.*

ISA GRINDLAY JACKSON.

European fortress, would be deeply hurt, even if the strongest kind of pressure were brought to bear upon the men, today in Canada, who will be needed to fill the inevitable gaps when the assault opens.

Delicate civilian reluctance to face unpleasant realities may not be very highly appreciated by soldiers who have learned that the winning of this war is a most indelicate, muddy, bloody and beastly job that's got to be finished with all possible speed.

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INTERESTING SPECIAL ISSUE

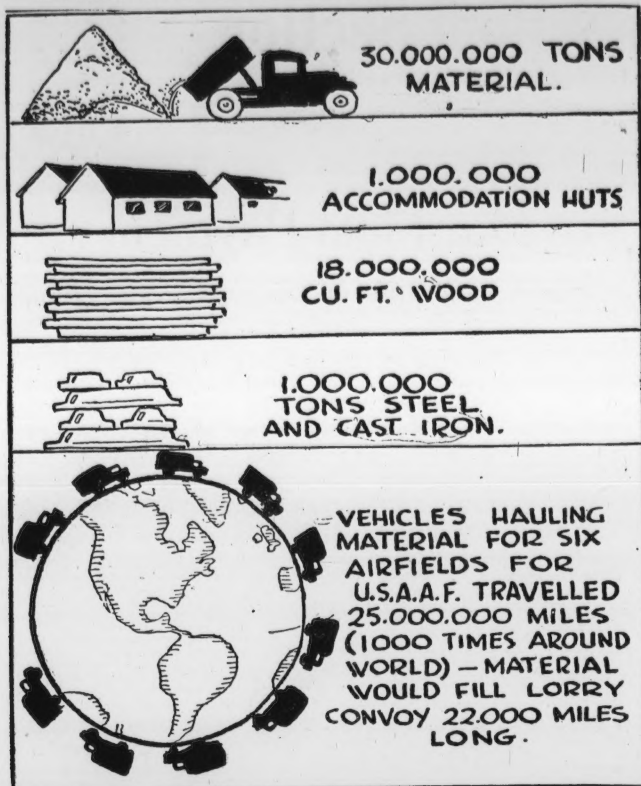
We have found a good deal of both pleasure and profit in reading the most interesting special issue which has been published by *The Strathmore Standard* on the occasion of the taking over of the Western Irrigation System by a group of co-operating farmers.

The issue contains a supplement, featured by a history of irrigation in the Western District, written by men who have themselves had a part in it; and is illustrated by a number of portraits of officers of the C.P.R. who were responsible for its initial and later development, and a group picture of the new board of trustees, together with the newly appointed superintendent, P. M. Sauder, recently director of Water Resources for the Province.

The Manager of the Department of Natural Resources of the C.P.R., A. Griffin, writes in part: "I am personally glad that the farmers of the Western Section have chosen to form the Western Irrigation District and take over and operate the Western Irrigation System." Mr. Griffin expresses the belief that "irrigation is especially a type of enterprise which can best be handled by the farmers themselves in a co-operative organization."

In an article entitled "A Glimpse Into the Future", Don J. McKinnon, M.L.A., refers to the heavy responsibilities which the trustees have undertaken, and declares: "It behooves us all to assist them in every way, remembering that all the water users as well as the Board have a responsibility that can best be fulfilled by co-operation and tolerance. The future is what we make it. The use we make of our irrigation system will determine the results we achieve."

Altogether, this special issue of *The Strathmore Standard* is a contribution of high value to the building up of the district the paper serves. The publisher, Mrs. A. A. Moore, is to be congratulated on its production.

Britain's Great Effort---Back It Up!

► In backing the Dominion's wartime effort, which we can do today by subscribing to the limit to the Sixth Victory Loan, Canadians will be giving added power to the invasion forces poised for the assault on Fortress Europe.

Britain has given an inspiring example of what can be done by a people who place Victory first. To build necessary airfields Britain utilized 30,000,000 tons of material (see above), some of it rubble from bombed London. 1,000,000 huts have been built, and the wood and steel and cast iron used are shown in the figures. Another picture indicates hauling done for only six airfields for the U.S. Airforce; today one hundred have been made for that force. R.A.F. airfields in Britain total 160,000,000 square yards in area, equivalent to 9,000 miles of highway 30 feet wide.

OTTAWA LETTER*(Continued from page 3)*

minion and Provinces share equally the cost of the programs to recruit, transport and place labor on farms;

(5) The work is carried on under such names as "Emergency Farm Labor Service", "Farm Help Service", "Farm Service Force" and "Farm Labor Bureau".

In B.C. the service registered over 11,000 people for work on farms; in the Prairie Provinces the organizations transferred hundreds of workers within each Province and organized and distributed harvest help. There were nearly 100,000 placements in Ontario. The plan greatly increased the mobility of labor. The expenses of interpro-

vincial movement of labor were paid by the Federal Government. Women and girls from Alberta aided in berry picking in the Fraser Valley in British Columbia.

(6) Last fall over 3,700 men from Ontario helped to harvest the crops in the Prairie Provinces.

From Armed Services

In September and October, over 15,000 men from the three armed forces helped to harvest in different parts of the country, Mr. Mitchell stated. About 11,000 men were granted farm leave from the army, while 4,326 came from the air force. About 600 sailors, from Deep Brook, Nova Scotia, helped to pick apples in the Annapolis Valley.

Of a total of 246,133 postponements of military call-ups in effect at the end of January, 1944, there were 142,400 or 58 per cent who were farm workers. Last fall, and winter several thousand farmers and other farm workers, answering the Government's urgent appeal, went to work in woods, mines, processing plants and other essential industries. Practically all these men have now returned to the farms. This spring a large number of men from the army and air forces are being given temporary leave to assist in seeding on the farms.

Initial Price for New Crop

In his statement on the wheat policy of the Government, Hon. J. A. MacKinnon, Minister of Trade and Commerce, mentioned that the fixed initial price of \$1.25 a bushel for Number 1 Northern, delivered Ft. William or Vancouver, would remain in effect for the full crop year, 1944-45. The Government has not yet determined on the amount of grain marketable during the year. Uncertain factors are the weather and the volume of transportation that will be available. The Government will take into account in its calculations probable domestic and export demand, as well as the volume of grain which railways and elevators

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can take care of. It now seems, stated the Minister, that the demand from both domestic and export markets will be strong, and that the marketable volume will be higher than in the past two years.

Wheat Stocks Dwindle

There has been a great change in the volume of the wheat carryover. Accumulated stocks are rapidly declining. With the demand from home and abroad, it is estimated that the surplus at the end of July next will be about 330,000,000 bushels compared with

600,000,000 last July. It is transportation, not demand, that is the problem now. "Given adequate transportation," said Mr. MacKinnon, "the crop year 1944-45 will see our wheat stocks reduced to a nominal figure."

The Government's oats and barley policy for 1944-45 will be unchanged from the past year. There will be the same minimum guaranteed prices, with advance payments of 10 cents for oats and 15 cents for barley. The guaranteed price for flaxseed will be \$2.75 a bushel as already announced.

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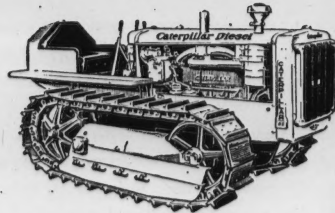
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Our Final Payment

And a Letter From One of Our "First Five Hundred"

Red Deer, Alberta.

Dear Members:

I am more convinced than ever of the soundness of the Co-operative movement and of its possibilities; furthermore, I believe it is destined to play a major role in post-war reconstruction.

Could Establish War-free World

As a strong, virile world-wide movement, it would seem to have a major contribution to make, in that it can and does link and bind every shade of thought. It is quite possible by means of a world-wide co-operative order to establish a world free from wars, for in its equity it would eliminate greed and promote righteousness.

The task of establishing such an order rests on the shoulders of each individual co-operator, and it is his duty to give of his best to the organization of which he is a member; that

is, if he wishes the principles of co-operation to become the guiding principles in the post-war era and in world affairs of tomorrow. If the co-operative structure is used extensively in post-war reconstruction, the success or failure of this its greatest opportunity to serve humanity will be measured by the extent that it champions the greatest good to the greatest number.

I fancy I can hear many who read the foregoing, asking themselves—"Well just what influence do my actions have on world affairs, what bearing can they have on freeing

Our Final Payments have all gone out, and although a larger percentage than usual of the Final Payment this year is in participation, your Board did authorize redemption in case of two outstanding Series of Participation Certificates, and our office has received several favorable comments from our members. They are pleased to see that our organization is redeeming in cash, as quickly as it is deemed practical, the outstanding participations now in the hands of our older members.

We have just received letters from several of our members on this particular item, and among them a letter from Mrs. W. Lyons, of Lousana. Mrs. Lyons, in writing, voluntarily suggested that we use this letter in

any way we see fit. In view of the fact that Mr. Lyons' Contract Number is 412, which signifies that the family were one of the original FIVE HUNDRED contract signers, we felt Mrs. Lyons' letter would be of particular interest to all of us and we have re-printed it below.

Mrs. Lyons' Letter

We are sorry that we are not able to have Mrs. Lyons' picture along with her message to our Alix Branch. The letter follows:

Lousana, Alberta,
April 10, 1944.

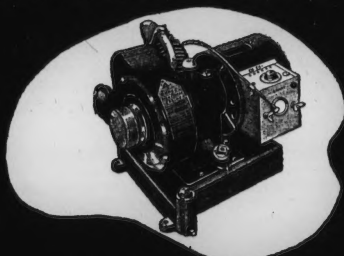
C.A.D. Pool, Alix.
Dear Sirs:

Re No. 412.

On receipt of a cheque for \$67.69, being payment on two participation certificates, thought I would drop you a line of thanks.

As you know, my husband (now dead), signed a membership agreement in August, 1925, and we shipped steadily to the Pool till March, 1941, then sold farm and stock to our son, and moved into Lousana. He became
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PLAN FOR TOMORROW

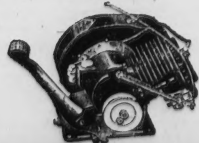


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Today as never before, we are constantly being reminded that we must learn to feed and clothe and care for others in order that humanity may be uplifted, and as I write these words a story comes to my mind. Here it is: A certain gentleman was being conducted on a tour of the other world. On reaching the nether regions, he was greatly surprised to find the people all seated at banquet tables loaded with appetizing food. On the walls was the one rule of the place strictly enforced—Everyone must use the knives and forks provided by the management. But the tools of service had such long handles that no one could get a morsel of food near his mouth, they were all starving to death—that was Hell.

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ANNUAL MEETING

Our Annual Meeting
will be held in

ALIX

TUESDAY, JUNE 20th
1944

Business Session begins at
10:00 a.m.

Annual Dinner

at 6:15 p.m.

Guest Speaker:

Archbishop J. H. MacDONALD

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Central Alberta Dairy Pool

C.A.D.P. SECTION

Call for More Eggs for Britain Is Being Answered this Year

Sufficient Supplies for Britain in
1944 Now Seem Assured,
States Ottawa

Stating that "sufficient egg supplies for Great Britain now appear assured without further expansion of Canadian poultry flocks," the *Egg and Poultry Market Report* issued by the Dominion Department of Agriculture at Ottawa, has announced that "the call, **MORE EGGS FOR BRITAIN** is being adequately answered in 1944."

Enormous Increase in Deliveries

The report is of especial interest to many members of our Central Alberta Dairy Pool, as are the important statistics it contains. It states: "Special Products Board deliveries to March 31st were 847,149 cases, as against 329,112 cases to March 31st, 1943, and 367,608 cases to March 31st, 1942."

"To March 31st, 1943, deliveries were 29.34 per cent of the total; 29.38 per cent in 1942. Average of both years 29.36 per cent. Prospective 1944 total computed on this basis—2,885,384 cases."

"Part of this increase is due to increased production and part, but not as much as might be expected, due to diverted home consumption."

"Next year's export contract already negotiated provides for the same quantity and same price as in 1944."

Dealing with the prospective 1944 total deliveries, which are of course considerably below 3,000,000 cases, though this is the nearest round figure, the report points out: "3,000,000 cases is nearly 100,000,000 dozen, one-third of Britain's total pre-war imports and equals the quantity shipped annually by Denmark to Britain in pre-war days."

"Canadian eggs sold for approximately the same price as those from Holland and Denmark on the British market before the war. Canadian producers must prepare themselves to meet that competition. *The only way to do this is through greater efficiency in production. Savings in costs of production are more lasting than savings from enhanced sales.*"

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as staunch a Pool member as his father. I was going over the statements and papers today and these are the results I found:

In Dollars and Cents

The paper I had started keeping our profits on was lost several years ago, so I haven't a record of the amount of the A, B, C, D participations we had received, but have of the rest, showing the extra profits received by belonging to a Co-op:

Dividend payments.....	\$527.85
Paid Participations up to date..	185.81
Participations still owing.....	133.62

Total.....\$847.28

I believe the accounts lost would bring the total to \$900.00, and figuring we shipped the cream for 14 years, 8 months, it would average a profit of \$60.00 a year, not counting the benefits of higher prices obtained by having a Pool.

Wishing the Staff and Pool further success.

Yours truly,
Mrs. W. LYONS.

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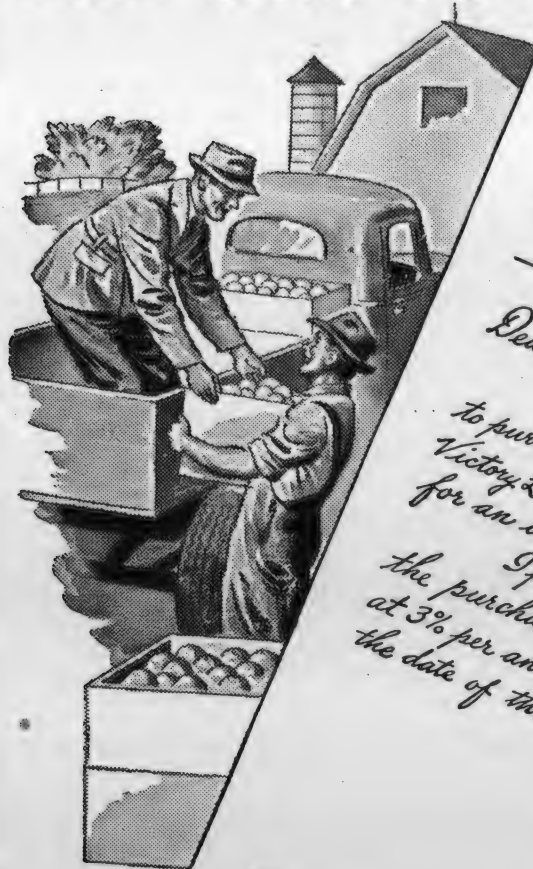
You can save money as you get it . . . by buying Victory Bonds on convenient deferred payments. Take advantage of this opportunity.

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Interests of The United Farm Women

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Dear Farm Women:

At different times our minds are prone to dwell on widely different matters, are they not? Mine keeps reverting to a recent visit to the city. It so happened I had not been there for nearly three years—a most unusually long time for me. To be sure, I know that to some that is a comparatively recent visit, while to others it seems a time of incredible length to elapse.

In the quietness of home, with even a husband away on some public work, I keep seeing pictures I saw while there. As I said to my hostess, it is indeed truly wonderful, the permutations and combinations there can be of two eyes, a nose, a mouth and a chin. Of the crowds of people, no two alike. Oh yes, there were two, for I saw a pair of identical twins and very striking they looked in the sea of differences. As I said, I was interested simply in watching faces, of which there was such a variety in contour, in features and in expression.

Differences Which Are Disappearing

One thing came to my mind that I had read some time ago, to the effect that the difference in appearance between city and country people is no longer strongly in evidence as in former times. To me it was emphasized because I happened to meet two acquaintances both looking most pleasing, although I knew they both played well their part as farmers' wives on the farms at home. In fact one whom I had not seen for several years delighted me, for she looked so smart, so pleasing in appearance, it was a pleasure to see her. To be sure there are some of us who lack the physical or economic basis on which to build much of a picture, but I am speaking of the average.

Nor is there the wide difference in appearance between the city women. Of course, if one goes into detail, it is very evident that one wearer has the genuine article in garments which bespeak money, and the other a copy for a very much lesser price. There was a time when clothes were made of good substantial material to last for years and the ones who could not afford that outlay were unfortunate. But now it does not seem to be the substantial, the lasting and expensive that people want, as much as a pleasing more up-to-date appearance which may involve much less of an outlay. That it does not last as long possibly is sometimes an asset.

Increases Self Confidence

Men may not realize it as much, but most women know that when they feel they are presenting the best appearance of which they are capable, it gives them a backbone and a greater degree of self confidence. It is not that they continue to think about it; rather it has the other effect. With the worry of their appearance gone, they can forget themselves and fill their minds with other things. And naturally there are always a few souls of whom we can think to whom their appearance means nothing.

In a sense to me it was all a comforting thought. I felt grateful for the custom of the permanents which added to the appearance of so many, of the complexion aids which took years from some and were kind to so many. It was in a sense an equalizing of opportunity. It was a breaking down of barriers between city and country women, between rich and poor. When that is achieved, will not women be able to work together on many, many other problems besides that

of making the most of their appearance? And we know there are problems innumerable facing the women of today. There are problems which more directly affect them, for we know that in the light of the part they have played in this war world, old conditions will never return, but will require greater wisdom in their solution. There are problems facing not only the women but society as a whole and in which women's help is needed. So let us hope that, looking their best, they will give of their best. Yours sincerely,

H. ZELLA SPENCER.

Farm Home and Garden

Gladioli should be planted by the middle of May; any good soil is suitable, but there should be some protection from the wind. Plant 3 inches deep (deeper for largest bulbs) and about 8 inches apart in the rows. Frequent and shallow cultivation is recommended; in very dry weather some watering may be needed to secure the best blooms. Again this year *The Leader* offers a collection of bulbs with subscriptions sent direct to the office.

Perennial Borders should be raked and dug, great care being taken to avoid damaging new growth just below the surface. If bad weeds, like couch grass, are found mixed with flowering plants such as phlox or pinks, the whole root should be taken up and divided, so that every piece of couch grass root can be removed and burned. The small pieces of the flowering plant will soon re-establish themselves.

Soya Meat Balls: Mix together 1/2 pound ground beef, 1/4 cup soy grits mixed with 1/4 cup water, 1/4 cup soft bread crumbs, 2 tablespoons minced onion, 1-1/2 tsp. salt, a little pepper. Form into small balls; pan-broil slowly in a little fat. Or, put cooked meat balls into baking dish with cooked macaroni or spaghetti, add tomato sauce and bake 20 minutes. Soya flour and grits are low in cost and rich in protein, as well as a good source of the B vitamins and of iron, calcium and phosphorus.

Jiffy Mayonnaise: Put in a bowl (but do not stir) 1 egg, 2 tbs. corn syrup, 1-1/2 tsp. each salt and mustard, a pinch of paprika, 1/4 cup vinegar, 3/4 cup salad oil. Make a paste by

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Sandwich Butter Spread: Cream butter with half its bulk of light cream or milk; add minced ham with mustard, or minced chicken, or grated cheese and minced pickles.

Shiny Spots in wool clothing should be treated by sponging with cleaning fluid and then roughing up the nap by vigorous brushing or a little rubbing with very fine sandpaper. Incidentally, never press moisture completely out of woollens; this makes them shine.

Nazi foreign minister von Ribbentrop secretly operated a wine business in the U.S. until it was seized by the alien custodian last fall, says a New York despatch.



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U.F.A. JUNIOR ACTIVITIES

FARM YOUNG PEOPLE'S WEEK

Dear Juniors:

One of the main interests these days at U.F.A. Central Office is the 26th Farm Young People's Conference to be held in Edmonton, June 1st to 8th, arrival day being May 31st.

The annual convention of the Junior Branch of the U.F.A. will be held on Monday, June 5th. Officers of the Junior Branch are elected at this meeting and resolutions on matters of importance to farmers, are discussed. Delegates should come prepared to take part in this very important meeting.

During the week lectures are given by members of the staffs of the University and the Extension Department. Competitions are held in grain judging, livestock judging, household economics and public speaking, with valuable cash prizes. The Department of Agriculture sponsors two scholarships to the School of Agriculture, one to the boy and one to the girl getting the highest marks on

an examination of the work taken during the week and on the reading course.

We are very pleased to announce that United Grain Growers are offering two \$50.00 cash prizes to the boy and girl getting the highest marks in a general proficiency examination, which will be both written and oral. This is open to all delegates in attendance.

Central Office of U.F.A. will be very pleased to answer any enquiries in connection with Farm Young People's Week and urges every district to be represented if at all possible.

Yours sincerely,

EILEEN BIRCH,
Secy., Junior U.F.A.

Activities of Farm Women's Locals

Ladies of Spring Valley U.F.W.A. collected \$213.20 for the Red Cross drive.

Sunnibend U.F.W.A. (Pibroch) are taking part in the Re-make Contest to be held at the U.F.W.A. Conference in Picardville.

Two visitors, one a member of the R.C.A.F. (W.D.) and one a student at Olds Agricultural School, gave interesting talks on their work, at the last meeting of McCafferty U.F.W.A. (Edgerton).

Roosevelt U.F.W.A. arranged recently to call a joint meeting with the U.F.A., inviting the young people of the district, with a view to sending a representative to Farm Young People's Week.

Papers on "Planning for Health" by Mrs. A. Gosling, reading of the bulletin on young people's work by Mrs. R. Chalmers, and an informal talk by the director, Mrs. W. L. Barker, made up a very interesting program for the last meeting of Dalemead U.F.W.A.

Donald Cameron's address "Whither Agriculture?" was very much enjoyed by Browning U.F.W.A. (Edgerton), writes Mrs. A. E. House, secretary. These ladies recently held a card party in aid of the Junior Conference Fund, and arranged a sale of work and home cooking at the Edgerton Co-op store.

CO-OPERATORS' MAJOR ROLE

(Continued from page 8, col. 3)

In the celestial city our friend also found the people seated at the banquet tables loaded with the same food and holding the same long handled forks. But—they were having a delightful time—they were feeding each other—that was HEAVEN.

How Many Realize These Things?

All who read the foregoing will see the moral in the story, but how many of us will pull his full weight to revamp the tools of service so that never again will there be a "Hell on earth"? How many of us are really anxious to exchange the Profit motive system for the co-operative way of doing business? How many of us realize that today is the day when we should be building internationally, tools of service forged out of economic justice.

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In conclusion let me quote H. H. Hannam, President of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture: "In the co-operative I work with and for my neighbors, not against them. I may work for myself, but I cannot work only for myself. I know that my work will help my neighbors as well as myself. And while I realize that some of my effort goes to the advantage of my neighbors, I also realize that each of my neighbors is likewise working for me."

Yours fraternally,

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President.

Compound Interest

(From the Chicago Daily News)

Back in 1857 one Samuel Francis deposited \$150 in a Bath (Me.) bank. Not long ago the bank closed his account, paying him the original \$150 plus \$6,095 interest.

That is an intriguing and an inspiring item; but what really caught our eye was another item that appeared about the same time under a Jerusalem date line. In the outskirts of Jerusalem, it appears, some one dug up an earthenware vessel containing a half-dozen shekels and some other coins, all minted before the Christian era.

What would have happened had that handful of coins been deposited in a bank and drawn compound interest continuously until 1944 A.D.? We shudder to contemplate the cataclysmic result.

Including its bomb load and the money spent on training the crew, every Halifax bomber when ready to take off from England on its first attack on Hitler's Europe has cost a million dollars.

No Wonder

"Please can you tell me why the tide is not up this morning," asked the little girl at the seaside.

"Yes, missie," replied the old fisherman. "It's because it was out last night."

WarHeroes



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Of Black Diamond, Alberta, sole survivor of the 147 man crew of the St. Croix. He and 80 members of the crew were picked up three hours after the sinking of the St. Croix by H.M.S. Itchen which was torpedoed 36 hours later. Leading Stoker Fisher was finally rescued by a Polish merchantman. After a brief shore leave, he has gone back to active duty "to finish the job".

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E.I.D. HAS SURPLUS

In spite of a season that was unfavorable in many respects, Eastern Irrigation District ended 1943 with a surplus of over \$9,500, it was announced to the annual meeting in Brooks last week.

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The Wheat Situation

By LEONARD D. NESBITT,
Superintendent of Publicity,
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Visible supplies of Canadian wheat declined by 11.3 million bushels during the week ending April 28th, the total on that date being 312.8 millions.

Total deliveries of wheat at primary marketing points in the Prairie Provinces from August 1st to April 28th were 215.6 million bushels. There was a heavy movement from the lake head during the week, the Board of Grain Commissioners reporting a hundred vessels with 15.5 million bushels of wheat, 4.5 million bushels of oats, 1.5 million bushels of barley, and 963,000 bushels of rye.

Total shipments of Canadian grain to the U.S.A. from August 1st to April 27th were:

Wheat.....	155,557,765 bushels
Oats.....	38,813,311 bushels
Barley.....	22,572,528 bushels

Waiting For Rain to Seed

No general rains have been experienced in the Prairie Provinces and the droughty condition is causing general concern. The first Alberta Wheat Pool Crop Report mentioned that in some parts of the south farmers have suspended seeding operation waiting for rain.

There is more optimism in the United States over the prospects for the winter wheat crop. Spring sown grain crops are late. The feed situation remains tight.

The Federal Government is granting \$1,350,000 for developing and testing McMurray oil sands this year.

The new plant of the Fraser Valley Fibre Flax Co-operative Association, the first in Western Canada, is expected to go into operation this month.

The new British budget calls for an average contribution of about \$300 from every man, woman and child in the country.

In a campaign against certain patent medicines, *P.M.*, New York daily which carries no advertising, charges that a well-known headcase "cure" has sent many victims to insane asylums.

Biggest in India's History

India's army—2,000,000 strong—is the largest army ever raised in Indian history and the largest volunteer army in the world. It has been absorbing recruits at a monthly rate of 50,000 men.

Veterinary Questions and Answers

Veterinary questions submitted by paid-up subscribers are answered free in this section by our graduate veterinarian, but not by mail.

Warts on Teats

W.B., Ponoka.—Some of my cows have warts on teats. What can I use to get rid of them?

Ans.—Apply castor oil once daily.

Sneezing and Bleeding from Nose

Mrs. W.H., Wayne.—I have a pig that sneezes and when it does so bleeds from the nose and it doesn't grow as fast as the others. It eats and drinks well. What should I do to prevent this sneezing and bleeding from its nose?

Ans.—There is a disease among pigs known as Necrotic Rhinitis or Bull Nose, where the pig will do quite a lot of sneezing and bleed from the nose. The snout is enlarged and lumps or swellings may be seen on some parts of the face. There is no satisfactory treatment.

Livestock Markets Review

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, May 3rd.—Prices have been steady on an active market. Hogs receipts continue very heavy and farmers are advised to contact agency or plant before shipping. Good to choice butcher steers are \$11.25 to \$11.75, common to medium \$9.50 to \$11; good to choice heifers \$10.50 to \$11.25, common to medium \$9 to \$10.25; good to choice fed calves \$11 to \$11.75, common to medium \$10 to \$10.75; good cows \$8 to \$8.50, common to medium \$6.50 to \$7.50; canners and cutters \$3.50 to \$6; good bulls \$7.25 to \$7.75, common \$5.50 to \$7. Good to choice veal calves are \$12 to \$13, common to medium \$10 to \$11.50; good stocker feeder steers \$9.50 to \$10.25, common to medium \$8 to \$9. Good lambs are \$11.50 to \$12.

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, May 3rd.—Trading for the week closed active with prices steady. Good to choice fed calves are \$11 to \$11.75; good to choice steers \$11 to \$11.75, common to medium \$7 to \$10.75; good to choice heifers \$10 to \$11, common to medium \$6.50 to \$9.50; good to choice light cows \$8 to \$8.50, heavy \$7.50 to \$8, common to medium \$4.50 to \$7; canners and cutters \$3.50 to \$4.50; bulls \$5 to \$7.50. Stocker and feeder steers are \$9.50 down, heifers \$8 down; cows \$6 down. Good to choice handyweight veal calves are \$11.50 to \$12.50 down to \$7 for common kinds. Hogs are quoted at: A \$16.35, B \$15.95, B2 \$15.70, B3 \$15.70, C \$14.70, D \$14.45, Lights \$14.45, Heavies \$14.45, Extra Heavies (196-215 lbs.) \$13.45, Extra Heavies (216 lbs. and up) \$11.25, Sows and Ridglings, dressed \$11.25, Sows liveweight \$8.75, Feeders \$12 to \$14. As receipts are still heavy farmers are asked not to ship hogs without first contacting agency or plant. Good to choice lambs, locals are \$11 to \$11.50, yearlings \$6 down and good light ewes \$5 down.

The Dairy Market

Prices are unchanged throughout at the maximum of 35 cents. Locally first grade prints are 35 cents with butterfat 32 plus 10 cents subsidy. Butterfat receipts at Alberta creameries for the week ending April 22nd were 567,954 pounds as compared with 546,319 pounds for the same week last year, an increase of 4 per cent.

Vancouver solids are quoted at the maximum of 35 cents.

U.S. CO-OPS.

(Continued from page 3)

numbered 2,742 and did a business aggregating \$600,000,000 in the same year, and the volume of purchasing done by marketing associations brought the grand total of farm supplies purchased through co-operatives in the U.S. to \$750,000,000.

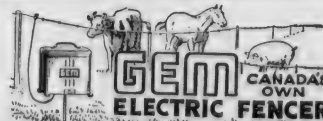
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WAR DIARY

Apr. 20th.—R.A.F. raids Plovdiv, Bulgaria, from south; U.S. airmen attack German "Atlantic Wall". Jap bases at Sebang, Lhonga, north Sumatra, bombed by carrier-based planes. Russians repel Nazi thrust in Estonia.

Apr. 21st.—R.A.F. drops record weight of bombs on Nazi rail centres; U.S. air force hits northern France. German supply lines in Italy blasted by Allied air force. Japs reinforcing Kohima armies.

Apr. 22nd.—German lines of supply to Russian front bombed by Allies, from Italy; U.S. attack on French objectives follow R.A.F. Mosquito raid on Cologne. Russians reinforce armies before Sevastopol; throw back Nazi attacks east of Stanislawow. Petain and Laval complain of violence of Allied bombings of Nazi bases in France.

Apr. 23rd.—British forces hold Japs in Imphal-Kohima area, strengthen positions. Landing Saturday of strong U.S. forces on both sides of Hollandia in Dutch New Guinea, announced; strong carrier task force gives support. Nearly 6,000 Allied planes pound Nazi Europe over week-end; R.A.F., R.C.A.F. attack Brunswick, Dusseldorf, Mannheim, Laon; U.S. fliers, Wiener-Neustadt and northern France.

Apr. 24th.—140,000 Japs said trapped by Hollandia landings; Allied paratroopers cut Jap supply line, Burma, Friedrichshafen, Bucharest, Ploesti, other targets in Belgium, western Germany, hammered by Allied air forces. Finland rejects Russian peace terms.

Apr. 25th.—Jap air base at Aitape seized, three others, in Hollandia area, surrounded. U.S. forces occupy most westerly of Marshall islands. R.A.F., R.C.A.F., attack Munich, Karlsruhe; U.S. airmen hit Nazi airfields in France.

Apr. 26th.—Brunswick, Cologne, among targets Allied air armadas. Russians begin new attacks from Carpathians to Black Sea. Anzio positions said improved. German destroyer sunk off northwest coast of France, by Royal Navy force including Canadian destroyers.

Apr. 27th.—About 6,000 tons bombs dropped on Nazi objectives in continuation Allied pre-invasion air offensive; Essen, Schweinfurt, railyards near Paris, among targets. Allied reinforcements move into Kohima area. Australians capture Jap supply base of Madang, New Guinea.

Apr. 28th.—Berlin says Allied invasion fleet in British ports hit by Nazi bombers. Russians cross Prut river in new drive. British tank units clear Japs out of positions near Kohima. R.A.F., R.C.A.F., raid Friedrichshafen, rail targets in Belgium and France; U.S. bombers continue assault by day.

Apr. 29th.—Heavy Allied air squadrons hurl bombs on Toulon, Berlin, port installations in southern France, western Germany, air base near Oslo. Russian planes bomb Lwow. Three Nazi ships sunk by British submarines, states Admiralty. Japs driven from other strongpoints in Kohima sector. Prisoners taken at Anzio total about 4,000.

Apr. 30th.—Channel Canadian destroyer *Athabaskan* sunk by enemy torpedo in action Saturday, Admiralty announces; 69 of crew believed lost. British tank column cuts Jap escape route north of Kohima. Targets in France hit by Allied air forces, by day and night. R.A.F. bombs Genoa. Stalin praises Allied contribution to war, says Germans soon to be attacked from east and west.

May 1st.—U.S. bombers raid French and Belgian railroads; R.A.F., R.C.A.F., blow up ammunition dump at Maintenon, attack rail centres; 17th day of continuous air offensive. Genoa bombed, third consecutive night, by Allied planes; Milan, other objectives

May Take Job Pending Arrival of Permit

A simplified procedure to provide job permits to workers living outside of cities has been announced by Selective Service officials. Such persons may apply for permits by mail, using forms which will be available through local post offices, and, pending arrival of the permit, may take a job for a period of up to seven days.

Stresses Importance of Identifying Weeds

Many farmers have become involved in very heavy expense because an unidentified perennial, such as leafy spurge, gained a solid foothold before it was recognized, declares Dr. K. W. Neathy, Director Line Elevators' Farm Service, in a recent bulletin, adding that no farmer can plan weed control measures intelligently unless he knows the weeds. He reminds farmers of the weed identification service offered by his department; specimens taken to elevator agents are identified, doubtful cases being referred to the Division of Botany at Ottawa.

in north Italy, also attacked. U.S. tank unit attacks Jap strongholds northwest of Mogaung, north Burma. Loss of U.S. ship in Mediterranean, with 498 army personnel, announced. Commonwealth Premiers' Conference opens in London.

May 2nd.—Thirty rail centres bombed in Allied air offensive during 24 hours; in 17 days, to May 1st, 80,500 tons bombs dropped, 832 Nazi planes destroyed to Allied losses of 626 aircraft. Germans score gains at Anzio. British submarines sink Jap destroyer, 4 other vessels. Washington announces 695th Jap vessel sunk or damaged by U.S. submarines since Pearl Harbor. Allied paratroopers defeat strong enemy attempt to break through barrier southwest of

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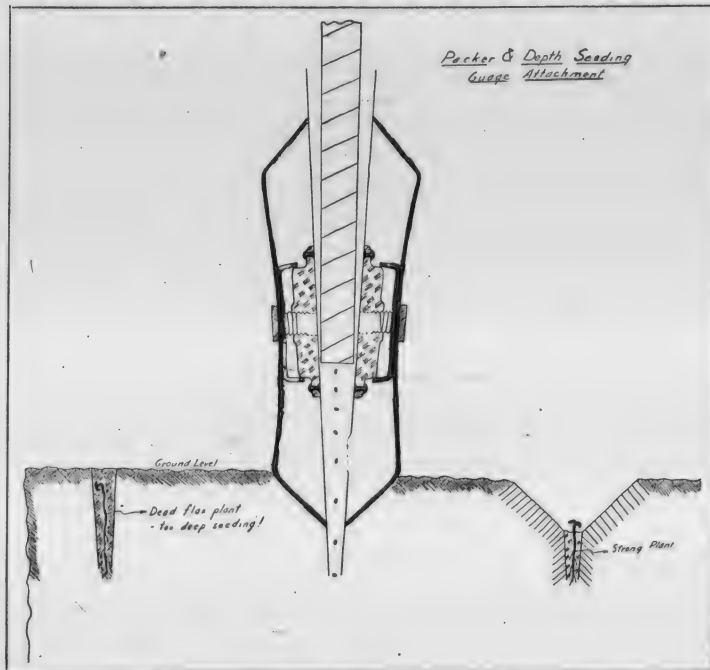
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Maguang. Truk bombed and shelled by U.S. naval task force.

May 3rd.—Mighty Allied air offensive has now crippled railways in 100-mile belt along coast from Bay of Biscay to north-west Germany; Mediterranean-based Allied planes keep up day and night bombing; Genoa attacked, fifth day. Russians start new offensive in north-east Roumania, say Nazis. British, Indians, gain in Kohima, Imphal areas; Chinese, Americans, take Jap strong points in north Burma; enemy advances in central China.

DISC DEPTH CONTROL to be handled by the CO-OPS



Canadian Co-operative Implements Limited, following out its announced policy to investigate farm machinery and attachment inventions of merit, has entered into an arrangement to manufacture a Disc Depth Control Attachment designed and patented by A. Summach of Asquith, Saskatchewan. This device when attached to the ordinary seed drill is not only capable of controlling the depth of seeding flax, but also acts as a packer.

Experiments conducted in the Asquith area during the past year have shown that the use of this attachment has, in some cases, actually doubled the yield of flax for which grain the attachment is particularly adaptable. Investigations are also being made by C.C.I.L. as to the attachment's adaptability for seeding other grains.

The attachment has been favorably commented upon by Professor J. B. Harrington, Field Husbandry Department of the Saskatchewan University, as well as by Professor E. A. Hardy of the Department of Agricultural Engineering of the Saskatchewan University. O. H. Lovelace, Designing Engineer for C.C.I.L., has examined the attachment and is of the opinion it is particularly advantageous for the seeding of flax and should have merit with regard to the seeding of other grains. Seager Wheeler, Rosthern Sask., states, "I hope to see this invention in general use as soon as possible that we may benefit thereby."

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Open to all consumers, whether they are members of co-operatives or not, a contest to secure a suitable slogan for the celebration of the Rochdale Centennial has been announced by the centennial director of the Co-operative League, 608 S. Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois. Contestants should mail their suggestions for slogans to that address not later than June 15th.

Very Distinct Injustice

(From Saturday Night, Toronto)

"We hope that the Minister of National War Services will leave to Reliable Exterminators the political technique of suggesting that Canadian Socialists are really National Socialists and in sympathy with the politico-economic ideas of Herr Hitler. . . . We can assure General La Fleche that in our opinion, and we think in that of the great majority of Canadians, he has very distinctly done an injustice to the Socialist members of the House of Commons in suggesting that their ideas are those of the Nazi party of Germany. . . . Since we are at war with a National Socialist state and in alliance with a genuinely Socialist state, we think it would be well if the Speaker should add the term 'National Socialist' to the list of epithets which may not be employed by Members."

Percentage in Services

Of Canada's men between the ages of 18 and 45, 35 per cent are now in the armed forces. One-tenth of the population is engaged in producing war materials, one quarter of war workers being women, states a recent governmental publication.

DIARY OF A "GUPPY"

More Spring Fever—and Good-bye to Skinner

(This is the eleventh in a series of excerpts from the diary of Corporal Catherine Goldsmith, C.W.A.C.)

Did we ever tease those kids. Curt and I, being confirmed old maids, really went to town. (All the same, Curt used to sit up on her top bunk and spend hours writing to a guy called Charlie.)

Now let's see. I've got Tool, La Rue, Prue and Greenie safely married off. That leaves Elliott, Chizzie, Dietrich, Sid, Curt and myself in the old Dorm.

Elliott didn't stick to the single state long. Suddenly she began to babble senselessly and later she, too, became engaged and married to a soldier. The last time I saw Elliott, she was staying home every night writing one letter to one man every day—her husband overseas—and looking forward to the happy day when he would come home again.

Next was Dietrich. She married an American soldier. Chizzie and Sid didn't get married but they were both in love and might as well have. Sid is being smart, though; she's waiting until the war is over. At least she got out of Dorm 11 still single so maybe there's hope.

Sink was already married, but she was still so much in love with her big Scotch husband, that she was as bad as the rest of them.

All I can say is that I hope and pray that those little brides from Dorm 11 get those wonderful husbands safely home—and soon.

It was a hectic Spring. Being the only sensible one in the whole room, I helped make wedding plans, advised

and worried, lent a sympathetic ear, helped to buy trousseaus, helped to pack, took over orderly duties, looked at pictures, and admired them. But most of all, I heckled them. My, but I had fun.

And what of me? I didn't escape the epidemic. I wrote and told a nice man I know that someday, when this war is over, I'll come away up north and be married, too.

Old Gang Breaks Up

So the Spring wore away and Summer came and with summer the shadow of the breaking up of "our gang"—known as "The Pay Office Kids".

When I returned from the second half of my furlough in July, I was informed of my posting to Red Deer and the girls in Dorm 11 were planning to move out on subsistence.

We started to celebrate. We went swimming in the river. We had picnics at Bowness Park when we took materials for "hot dogs", watermelon, cinnamon buns and pop and took boat rides down the lagoon. One night we had a corn feed in Dorm 11. We sat around a barrack box and ate cobs of corn from a huge pot filled with hot water. Lights went out at the usual time—eleven o'clock, but we ate on far into the night. It was the best corn I ever ate. I wonder if the butter spots are still on the floor to commemorate that "party".

Can you imagine Dorm 11 without the old gang? It was awful because they left about a month before I did. No Curt there to haul out of bed in the mornings; no Tool to argue with; no Greenie to wait for and to tease; no Sink to boss around.

New Clubs Keep British Children Well Occupied While Parents Working

LONDON, Eng.—To give children under fourteen some place to go between the close of school and the time their parents return from work, the "Save the Children Fund" has opened five clubs here. In some cases bombed public houses and shops have been converted into clubs, the children helping with the repairs and decorating. Activities include carpentry, pottery, cooking, shoe repairing, as well as games and entertainment of all kinds. Such outings are arranged for the children as visits to the parks, swimming parties, and excursions to museums. The membership fee is two cents a week; professional welfare workers are in charge, but they remain as much as possible in the background.

Farmers who are in the habit of storing meat in cold storage lockers during the summer may follow this practice during suspension of meat rationing, states the W.P.T.B. If rationing returns, such meat will be subject to whatever coupon regulations are in force.

But finally, after being packed for weeks and ready to leave, the day came. And at the last minute I was sorry to go. I said goodbye to all my friends and sadly ate my last breakfast at the table in the mess hall which had been, for so long, known as the "Pay Office table". Now I was the last of the old gang eating my last meal at our table.

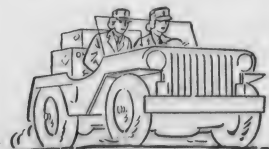
And so, the old gang broke up. That's the way it is in the army. Chums come and go like ships that pass in the night. There will always be a soft spot in my heart for those good old days at Skinner barracks in Calgary.

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The new Quebec Hydro Commission has recently taken over operation of the Montreal Light, Heat and Power Company, expropriated by the Quebec Legislature.

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Professor J. B. Harrington, Field Husbandry Department of the University of Saskatchewan, and E. A. Hardy of the Department of Agricultural Engineering, have commented favorably on the new device. The attachment has been examined by O. H. Lovelace, Designing Engineer for C.C.I.L., who states that it is particularly advantageous for the seeding of flax and should have merit for the seeding of other grains. Experiments in the Asquith area last year showed that in some cases yield of flax was actually doubled when the attachment was used. The C.C.I.L. is investigating its adaptability for seeding other grains. Any information desired can be obtained from Canadian Co-operative Implements, Ltd., Regina.

Of 4,134 convictions for defaulting from mobilization regulations in Canada, 2,424 were in Quebec. Quebec also had the highest proportion of men called up who were declared unfit for military service, with 59 per cent. Nova Scotia, with 46 per cent unfit, was in second place. The other Provinces varied from 31 to 37 per cent, Saskatchewan making the best showing of the nine Provinces.

Sweden Planning Expansion of Co-operatives

NEW YORK.—Swedish co-operatives are making plans for post-war expansion, stated Nils Thedin, of the staff of Kooperativet Förbundet, on his arrival to attend the International Labor conference. Tremendous expansion in production and distribution of household appliances, and production of farm supplies and farm machinery, will be the two chief objectives; large-scale production of building supplies is also planned.

Recently a wall board factory was purchased; and lumber, bricks, cement, glass, bathroom fixtures, will also be

produced. The probable effect of expanded co-operative action in the household appliance field was indicated when the co-ops began the manufacture of vacuum cleaners before the war. The regular price was 200 kroner at that time; the co-operatives produced vacuum cleaners to sell for 100 kroner and 145 kroner. These plans, of course, are based on the assumption that the United Nations will win the war and so secure for the world, including "neutral" Sweden, the opportunity to maintain and expand co-operative activities.

General MacArthur has announced that he will not be a candidate in the U.S. Presidential election.

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Nunno, Algernon, the government hasn't put a floor under eggs as the darn things would only break when they hit it.

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Under the circumstances, Bowness and Springbank residents might be justified in referring to it as Hogtown.

WOMAN

Fair woman was made to bewitch—
A pleasure, a pain, a disturber,
a nurse,
A slave or a tyrant, a blessing
or curse—
Fair woman was made to be which?
—Anon.

We notice that Li'l Catherine Goldsmith, C.W.A.C., laments the fact that her buddies didn't find her a husband. Wassa matter, Katie, don't you know it's Leap Year?

(Ah, but Sydney, read her Diary in this issue, and get up to date.—Ed.)

Fashion news item states that still another attempt is to be made to repopularize men's straw hats this summer. That's the kind of competition that will be felt.

He's a real old timer if he can remember when the "Line-up" referred to a police parade of suspects. Nowadays it's just a gathering of ordinary citizens outside the liquor stores.

And that reminds Knotty Frankie, that although John Barleycorn's name will not be on the ballots at the next election he'll be there all right.

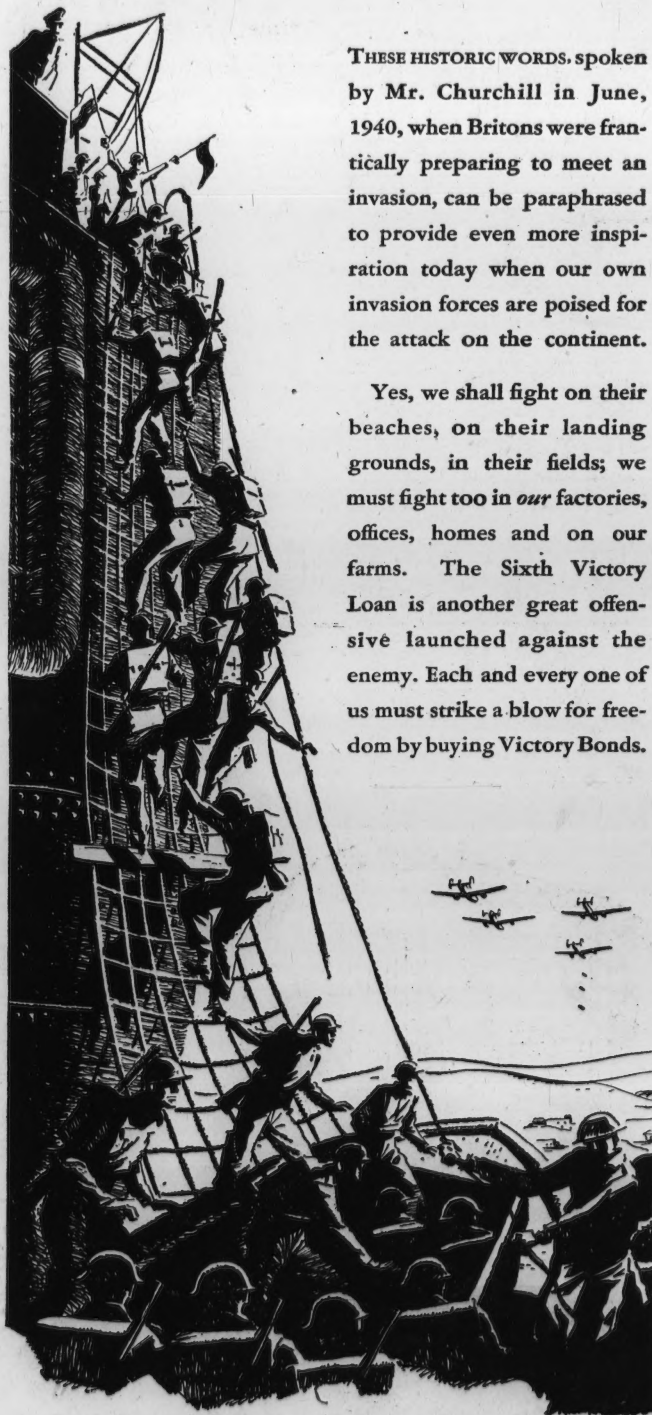
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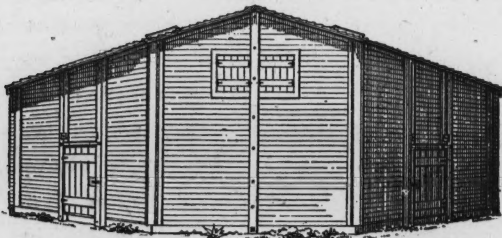
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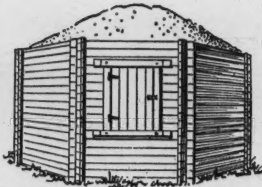
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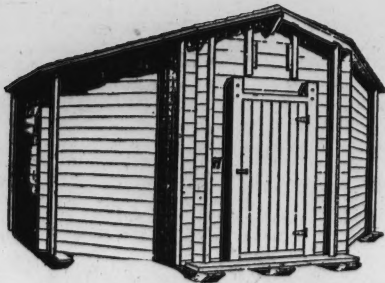


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